## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## LISTING OF CLAIMS:

(currently amended): A method for preparing a golf ball, comprising the steps of:
<u>coating forming</u>-a layer of a primer composition comprising an aqueous resin having UV-curable functional groups in a molecule and a crosslinker on the cover surface of a golf ball,

applying a UV-curable paint onto the layer, wherein the primer composition layer is not irradiated with UV radiation prior to having the UV-curable paint applied thereon, and

irradiating the layers with UV radiation, thereby permitting both of the primer composition layer and the UV-curable paint to cure at the same time.

- 2. (withdrawn): A golf ball prepared by the method of claim 1.
- 3. (new): The method for preparing a golf ball of claim 1, wherein the UV-curable functional groups are selected from the group consisting of (meth)acrylic groups, cinnamoyl groups and azido groups.
- 4. (new): The method for preparing a golf ball of claim 1, wherein the aqueous resin is prepared by introducing water-soluble groups into base resins wherein the water-soluble groups are selected from the group consisting of carboxyl groups, sulfonate groups, and amino groups.
- 5. (new): The method for preparing a golf ball of claim 1, wherein the crosslinker included in the primer composition is a carbodiimide-based crosslinker or an ethyleneimine-based crosslinker.
- 6. (new): The method for preparing a golf ball of claim 1, wherein the layer of the primer composition has a thickness ranging from 5 to 12  $\mu$ m, and the total thickness of the primer and UV-curable paint layers ranges from 15 to 32  $\mu$ m.